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**United States Patent [19]****Stevens****[11] Patent Number: 5,393,368****[45] Date of Patent: Feb. 28, 1995****[54] CORRECTION TAPE DISPENSER****[75] Inventor:** Christopher J. Stevens, Reading, England**[73] Assignee:** The Gillette Company, Boston, Mass.**[21] Appl. No.:** 192,471**[22] Filed:** Feb. 7, 1994**[30] Foreign Application Priority Data**Feb. 10, 1993 [GB] United Kingdom ..... 9302589  
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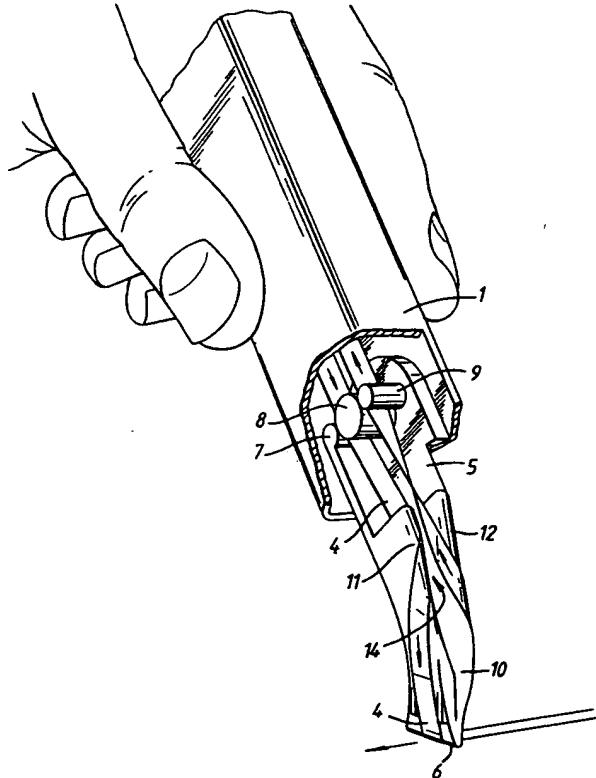
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In a correction tape dispenser, wherein a backing ribbon carrying a layer of correcting composition is fed from a supply spool (2) around the edge (6) of an applicator tip (10) used to press the tape against a paper surface (P) to transfer the layer of correcting composition onto the paper, and back to a take-up spool (3), a tape guide system (11,12; 22,23) is provided near the tip to redirect the tape, the tip edge (6) being at an angle to the feed direction so that the body of the tape dispenser may be held in a forwardly and downwardly inclined orientation similar to that in which a writing instrument is normally held.

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